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MISSOURI FIRE INSURANCE BUSINESS FOR 1903; EXHIBIT COMPILED FROM OFFICIAL SOURCES.

Loss Ratio for Year Shows Well as Compared With Previous Year—Effect of a Single Fire.

The following exhibit is compiled from the statements of the fire insurance companies filed with the Honorable R. G. Yates, Superintendent of Insurance. It shows business done during 1903 by fire insurance companies in Missouri. The exhibit is complete, with the exception that in one or two cases the companies failed to send their losses separated by cities, and the aggregate total is given. The figures show the transactions of all classes of fire insurance companies, except town mutual companies, which are not included. It will be observed that the loss ratio in Missouri is 52 per cent of the premiums received for all classes of companies combined, as against 64 per cent last year. The loss ratio of fire insurance companies of foreign companies doing business in Missouri is 58 per cent, while that of the United States companies is only 49 per cent. St. Louis is to be congratulated on the splendid showing made by the city during 1903, as shown by its light loss ratio of 29 per cent, as compared with last year's ratio of 52 per cent. The large loss on the Hammond Packing Company's plant at St. Joseph, which burned last year, covered by insurance aggregating over \$1,000,000, had a very material effect in increasing the loss ratio for the entire State, and eliminating that loss, the city of St. Joseph and the entire State shows one of the best years for fire insurance companies in the history of the State. Both the amount of insurance written and the premiums received by the companies show a marked increase, while the loss ratio is 2 per cent better than last year (1902). The State of Missouri will receive about \$13,000,000 in premiums received by the fire companies in Missouri for the year 1903.

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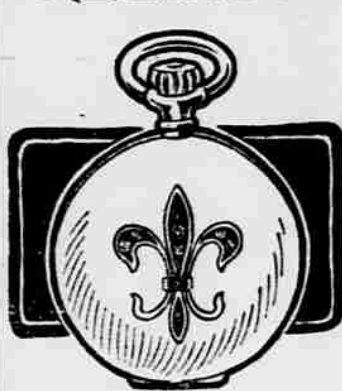
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JEWELL CASE IS CONTINUED.

Kansas City Court Lays Bribery Case Over Until Attorney General Crow Can Return.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 9.—Jesse Jewell, State Senator from Kansas City, was called in the Criminal Court today for trial upon a charge of soliciting a bribe. Holand Hughes, Prosecuting Attorney, said to the court:

"This proceeding was instituted by Attorney General Crow. He is in possession of the evidence and he wishes to be here to conduct the prosecution. I am to appear as his assistant. Attorney General Crow is in California and I have a telegram from his assistant in Jefferson City, which says: 'Crow wants Jewell case continued.' In view of these facts I shall ask that the case be continued."

Ralph Latsch and Colonel Waters, attorneys for Mr. Jewell, who was in court, announced that they were ready for trial and they demanded a trial. "They said that if Jewell were guilty he ought to be tried; but if he were innocent he ought to be kept in suspense with a criminal charge hanging over him."

Judge Wolford reset the case for trial March 15, saying: "Upon that date I will see that the trial begins."

OKLAHOMA JURIST IS TIRED OF BENCH IN HONOLULU.

Judge Galbraith Has Frequently Dissected From Colleagues, Once Severely Criticizing Them.

Honolulu, Feb. 9.—Clinton A. Galbraith, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the Territory, has announced his intention of retiring from office at the expiration of his term in June. He will return to Oklahoma, where he formerly was Attorney General.

Justice Galbraith was the author of many dissenting opinions, and recently caused quite a sensation in legal circles by his severe criticism of the attitude of his colleagues, Chief Justice Frear and Justice Perry, in the disbarment cases, which came before the court, declaring that both of the judges were disqualified to hear them. Justice Galbraith dissented from the majority of the opinions of the court in all of these cases.

The coming trial of Attorney George A. Davis before United States District Judge Dole is regarded here as a review of the action of the Supreme Court, and the decision probably will affect several retrials.

The Star says that Justice Galbraith's unharmonious relations with his associates on the bench, causing dissatisfaction with his position, is the cause of his retirement.

BLAZE AT COFFEYBURG, MO.

Whole Block of the Village Is Wiped Out.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Gallatin, Mo., Feb. 8.—Coffeyburg, in northern Daviess County, was fire-wrecked last night, one-half of a block of business houses being totally destroyed.

All were frame structures and the loss is estimated at \$200,000 with no insurance. One hundred dollars' damage was done to adjoining property.

AGRICULTURE BOARD MEETS.

First Annual Session Is Held at Guthrie, Ok.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Guthrie, Ok., Feb. 8.—The first annual meeting of the Oklahoma Board of Agriculture is being held here, the exercises commencing at Convention Hall. Governor Ferguson delivered the address of welcome, followed by an address by Evers White of Shawnee, president of the board. J. W. Haskell, president of the Cattle Country Farmers' Institute, also delivered an address.

The exercises to-morrow include addresses by Professor John Fields, director of the Oklahoma Experiment Station, Stillwater; Professor J. H. Connell, Dallas, Tex.; Professor F. S. Taylor, Chief of Department of Agriculture, Louisiana.

Church Anniversary Celebrated.

Litchfield, Ill., Feb. 9.—The forty-eighth anniversary of the dedication of the First Presbyterian Church of this city was celebrated today. Several former pastors of the church participated in the program.

The Reverend Frank W. Miller of Pana delivered the principal address, and a basket dinner was served.

Coppernberger Dies of Burns.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Ardmore, I. T., Feb. 9.—William Coppernberger of Tussey, who was seriously burned last week in carrying his wife and child from their burning home, died yesterday as a result of the burns which he received. His wife and child were so badly burned that they died within a few hours after being carried from the building.

Horse Show Monthly Sued.

The Horse Show Monthly Publishing Company, G. Lacy Crawford and Ralph H. Orthwein, are defendants in a suit filed in the Circuit Court yesterday by Woodward & Terman Printing Company, on an alleged debt of \$215.42.

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POLICE INVESTIGATING FIRE.

Papers Saturated With Coal Oil Found in Mrs. Morgan's House.

The police are investigating the fire at the boarding-house of Mrs. Nellie Morgan, No. 3303 Pine street, which endangered the lives of Mrs. Morgan, her two children and several roomers, early yesterday morning.

Papers which had been saturated with coal oil are said to have been found in the house, and Mrs. Morgan is of the opinion that some enemy, knowing that the front door of the house was not kept locked, had entered and attempted to set fire to the place. Boarders extinguished the flames with a few buckets of water.

PANIC IN VANOL BUILDING.

Small Fire Causes Stampede of Employees in Banner Store.

Fire in the Banner Dry Goods Company's store on the first floor of the Vanol building at Vandeventer avenue and Olive street yesterday morning created excitement among the 100 or more persons employed in the structure, who made a rush for the exits.

The fire was caused by an employee of the

WILL NOT RETURN TO PANAMA

Minister Buchanan Says He Has Accomplished His Mission.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
New York, Feb. 8.—William I. Buchanan, United States Minister to Panama, was a passenger on the steamship City of Washington, which arrived this morning from Colon. He announced on his arrival that he would probably not return to Panama as the representative of this country, as his mission had been accomplished.

"Everything is quiet on the isthmus," said Mr. Buchanan. "The Constitution has gone to third reading and the people appear to be satisfied. One of the most difficult problems they faced was the separation of church and state, and this has been done in a way that is satisfactory to both sides."

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DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR BILL PASSED BY SENATE.

Course in Panama by Cramack and Overman—Cullom Defends.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The Senate today passed the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill without debate, and then reconsidered the bill in connection with the Panama canal. Mr. Cramack and Mr. Overman in opposition to the Panama canal, and Mr. Cramack and Mr. Overman in opposition to the Panama canal, and Mr. Cramack and Mr. Overman in opposition to the Panama canal.

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VICTORY FOR M. S. U. GIRLS.

Miss Mary Smith Elected President of Sophomore Class.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Columbia, Mo., Feb. 8.—The sophomore class of the academy department of Missouri University met this afternoon and elected the following officers: President, Miss Mary Smith; vice president, Miss Maude Quare; secretary, Miss Carrie Jesse; treasurer, Miss Clara Shelton; sergeant-at-arms, Arthur Stout; historian, Miss Nell Gordon.

The election marks the first victory of the girls in college politics. Miss Smith being the first girl in the history of the university to be elected president of a class organization.

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